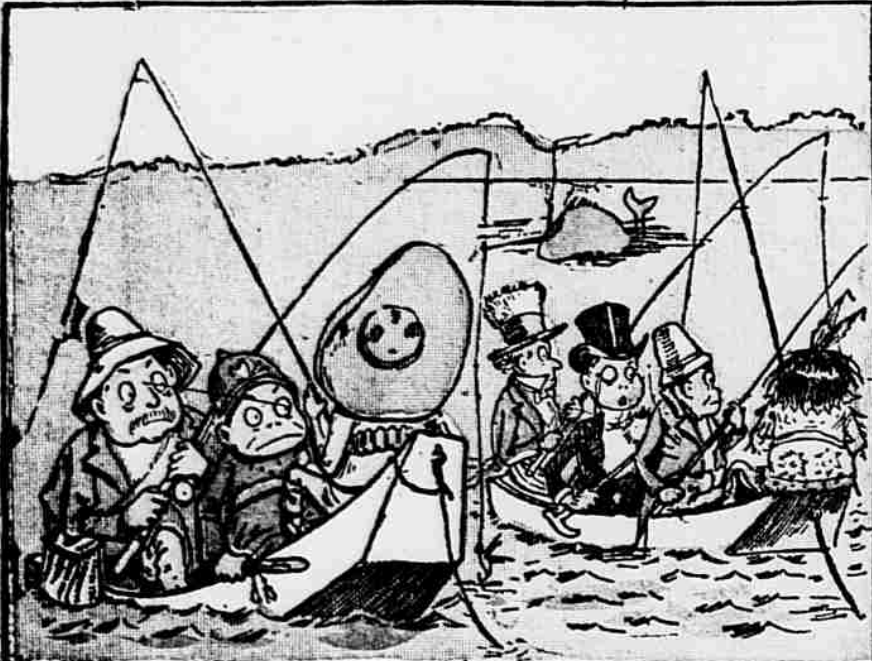
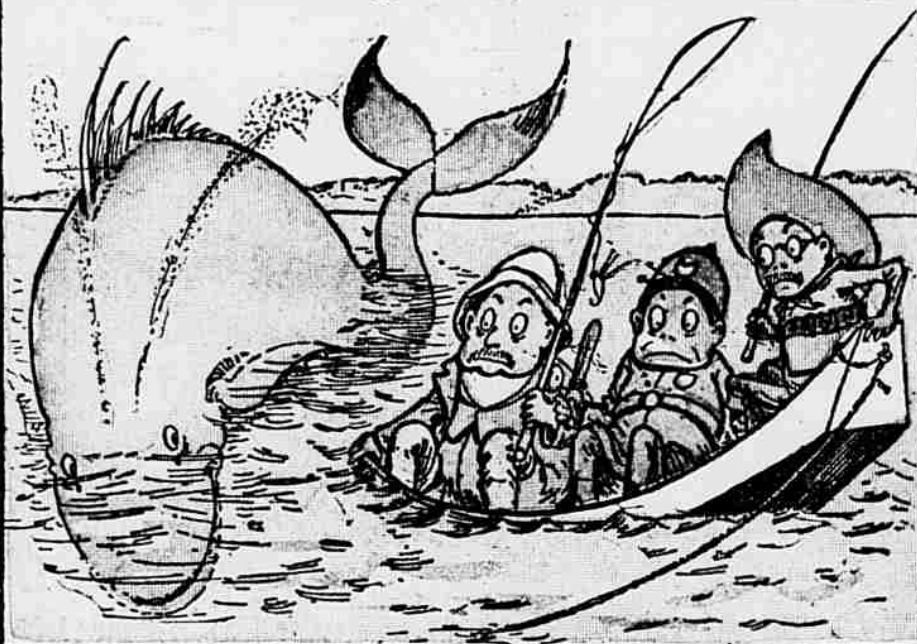


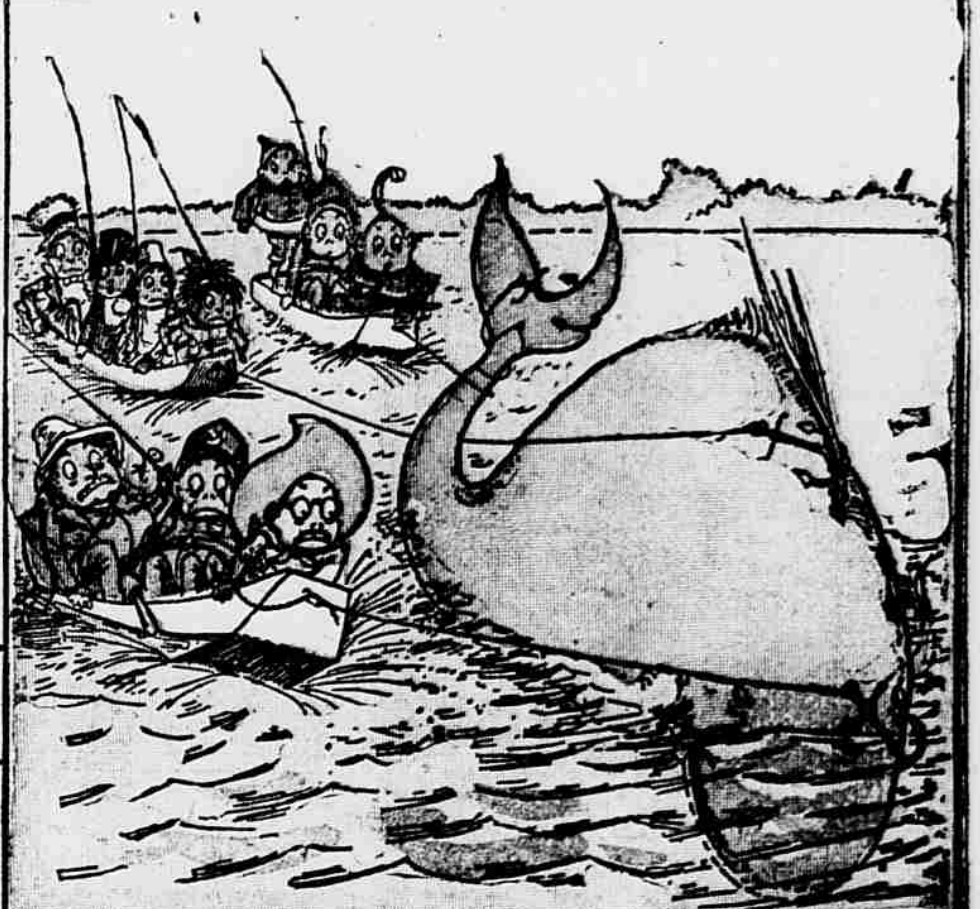
THE BROWNIES IN THE PHILIPPINES by PALMER COX.



① While Brownies fished in Subig Bay
A sporting whale moved on its way



② They had no use for oil or bone
And so they let the whale alone.



③ It fouled their anchors cast below
And soon had every boat in tow.



④ While some cut ropes, one strange to say,
To save his anchor blazed away!



⑤ The whale that now was filled with lead,
Began to settle by the head.



⑥ At last it stranded on a reef
And gave the Brownies great relief

FABLE OF DISCONTENTED LION WHO RAN AWAY FROM HOME

Although Born With Golden Spoon in His Mouth,
He Failed to Realize His Opportunities and
Refused to Be Guided by Those Who
Knew His Faults.

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Once upon a time there was a lion who was born with a golden spoon in his mouth, so to speak, but he was of such a discontented turn of mind that he valued it but little, as do so many others who have cut their teeth in this way. Owing to the superior advantages which usually accompany golden spoons, great things were expected of him, but he was a constant source of disappointment from his youth up. The poor father felt so badly over his inability to put his son on the right track that he finally gave up the ghost, firmly convinced that his son's failings were due to ineffectual discipline on the part of his parents. After the young lion was left an orphan his mother decided to adjust matters herself, and, being of a different temperament from her husband, she soon had him guessing as to what would happen next. This so annoyed and disturbed him that he at last determined to cut loose from his mother's apron strings and go it alone.

On arising the next morning the mother was grieved to learn that her son had departed into the night, or some other place, and could not be reached. Feeling that perhaps, after all, experience would prove his best teacher, she gave herself no concern, trusting that in due season he would return, benefited by the bumps which unreasonable people usually receive when they wander from their own firesides.

On leaving home the young lion decided to broaden his intellect by seeing something of the world. Feeling that he would be a shining mark should he become known he came of easy circumstances, he decided to travel incognito, so shipped as a common seaman on board of the Nancy Jane, a tramp ship bound for most any old place. The novelty of the new life pleased him for a few days only; then, becoming discontented as usual, he tried the same tactics aboard the ship that he had worked at home, and was soon brought before the mast for insubordination, and was given a sound drubbing. Now, this not only hurt his body, but what was more painful, his pride, and he at once decided to be re-



FIND THE MIDSHIPMITE AND BOATSWAIN TIGHT AND THE CREW OF THE NANCY JANE.

Believing That Experience Would Prove the Best Teacher, His Mother Did Not Worry—Fortune Humbled the Prodigal's Pride and He Returned a Wiser Son.

venge on the captain for such disrespect to one of his station in life. Having brought considerable wealth with him, he was soon able to bribe the unprincipled element of the crew, and in a few days the captain found himself confronted by a first-class mutiny, and was made a prisoner. This, of course, left the young lion master of the ship, and things went on smoothly till, as usual, becoming discontented again, he made things so unpleasant for the crew that they rebelled, and he in turn found himself prisoner. On being apprised of the situation the captain informed the mutineers that the easiest way out of the difficulty was the best way, and he promised, should they restore him to his former power, to grant amnesty to all concerned in the uprising save the ringleader, the young lion. The sailors, happy at the prospect of getting out of such a bad scrape so easily, readily consented, and order and discipline were once more restored on board.

The captain, fearing lest the young lion should make trouble again, decided to have him up for trial at once, and the verdict was that he should be set adrift in the ship's yawl, with water and provisions. All were very glad to be rid of such a troublesome character.

After drifting helplessly about on the ocean for days and days, and being buffeted by wind and waves till he was near death's door, he was finally picked up by a passing ship, which had met with adverse winds and stormy weather was leaking badly, and short of provisions. So the young lion had to take his place at the pumps, on short rations and with little sleep, and when the ship finally reached port in his native land he was so reduced in body and spirits that he could with difficulty make his way home. When he arrived there he was so changed in appearance that his mother, mistaking him for some poor, homeless wanderer, invited him in to rest up a bit. This was just what the young lion wanted, for it gave him a chance to think.

The moral of this fable is: Fortune breaks us of many faults which reason cannot. *W. M. GOODWIN.*